

WANDERER ITS COFFIN.

The Body of a Murdered Girl Baby Washed Ashore Near Sandy Hook.

BRICK IN THE BAG TO SINK IT.

Rags Tightly Tied Around the Child's Neck Indicate That She Was Strangled.

SATCHEL MAY FURNISH A CLUE.

Nothing to Show Whether the Crime Was Committed Ashore or on a Steamship.

(Special to The Evening World.)

SANDY HOOK, Aug. 23.—A child murder was revealed today by the washing up on Haystack Beach, half a mile to the north of Camp Low, of a woman's hand-bag containing the body of a girl baby. The satchel was picked up by a beachcomber, who at first thought it a rich find. It was of good leather, had evidently not been long in use, and was quite heavy.

Upon opening it, the finder was horrified to discover, doubled up in it, the body of a child that apparently was not more than a week old at the time of its death.

There was no clothing upon the body, but around the child's neck were tied some linen rags, and it is almost certain that these caused the little one's death by strangulation, before she was put in the satchel and thrown overboard.

In the satchel, put there for the evident purpose of sinking it, was a brick. The gruesome contents were taken to Priest Street, Abbott, of the Sandy Hook detachment, and he reported it to his superior officers.

Word was at once telegraphed to the Coroner at Long Branch, and he was requested to take charge of the body.

The hand-bag may furnish a clue to the identity of the child and also to the person or persons who caused her death.

There is much speculation as to whether the crime was committed on shore or on board some outgoing ocean steamer. The presence of the brick in the hand-bag rather supports a theory that the child was killed on shore, and in its present position, the hand-bag may have afterwards been taken aboard some coastwise or ocean steamer and dropped into the sea.

There are thousands of bricks of the size and color of the one found in the bag at all of the seaside resorts that border upon Sandy Hook Bay.

HOUGHTON CAUGHT AT LAST.

Alleged Check Forger Now at Police Headquarters.

HARRY D. HOUGHTON, alias Frank E. Ward, a forged check swindler, who has been wanted by the police for several weeks, was arrested today by Central Office Detective Joseph Dowling and arranged in the Tombs.

Justice Hagan held him indefinitely while the police gather further evidence against him.

Houghton, or Ward, has been swindling shopkeepers all over the city for some time. The police have been warning circulars with his picture and a photograph of his signature and checks for \$15 upon the Fourteenth Street.

The specific charge under which he is detained at the Tombs is the swindling of Joseph Hall, a photographer at 131 Broadway. He called at Hall's gallery Saturday, Aug. 11, and had his picture taken, ordering a dozen. The price was \$1, and in payment he tendered a check upon the Empire State National Bank, purporting to have been signed by C. E. Gordon, treasurer of New York. The photographer had never heard of Gordon, and the check was turned over to Inspector McGowan.

The chief of detectives instantly recognized the portrait at that of a man who was wanted for a number of such offenses.

The banker at the Fourteenth Street Bank said that a dozen such checks, none exceeding the amount of \$15, had been presented and refused at his bank within the past few weeks.

Ward's favorite plan of operation was to represent himself to be a member of the Young Men's Christian Association. He referred gifts to prominent members, and made the impression of being an honest and respectable young man.

On July 25 the prisoner opened an account at the Tombs in the name of Frank E. Ward at the Fourteenth Street Bank and presented a check for \$15 upon the Empire State National Bank, which was cashed by the bank.

Among the other victims of his forgeries are James Miles, 105 Fourth avenue, \$5; the Young Men's Christian Association, at Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue, \$5; for his membership ticket and \$5 in cash; Clyde Robinson, of the Bennett Building, \$5.

The police are now working on the case, and expect to have a long list of petty forgers against him.

He was photographed for the Rogues' Gallery at headquarters today.

IN A POOL OF BLOOD.

A Seventy-Five-Year-Old Woman Found Dead in Her Room.

PORT JEFFERSON, L. I., Aug. 23.—Mrs. Henry H. Devries, a German woman, seventy-five years of age, was found this morning lying in a pool of blood on the floor of her room.

Chambers made an investigation and found no evidence of foul play. He said that the cuts and bruises on the woman's body were received as a result of her falling out of bed. No inquest will be held.

Mrs. Devries died alone. One month ago her husband was taken to the Poughkeepsie Insane Asylum. Since that time she has had no companion.

BARBER CLAYTON DEAD.

Evidence Found That the House Was Set on Fire.

CAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 23.—Barber Clayton, who was so badly burned yesterday morning during a fire in his house, died in the Cooper Hospital today.

Chief of Police Dodd says he has found evidence that the house was fired by an incendiary.

ALL RE FOR MORTON.

Up-the-State Republicans Favor the Ex-Vice-President.

Fassett's Boom Nowhere and Choate Is Not Mentioned.

Decision in Favor of the Barnes Faction in Albany.

Levi P. Morton's boom came to town today in great force. The Committee from up the State, who attended the meeting of the Republican State Committee at the Fifth Avenue Hotel this morning, brought news of the situation from various parts. The preponderance of sentiment seems to be in favor of the nomination of Morton for Governor. Mr. Platt wants Morton and Mr. Platt is the State Committee. Poor Fassett doesn't seem to be in it.

The State Committee met in Parlor D. R. at 11 o'clock to settle the Albany faction in the Barnes and Schleicher faction.

As foreshadowed in "The Evening World" yesterday, the sub-committee declared in favor of the Barnes faction, and the Committee unanimously adopted the report.

The list of election inspectors filed by the Barnes faction with the Albany authorities will now be approved by the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee was empowered to decide all future contests without reference to the State Committee.

The up-country members were outspoken for Morton, except those from Essex and Supreme Court Justice Louis W. Russell, who was placed in the field by St. Lawrence County yesterday.

Mayor George W. Aldridge, of Rochester, seemed to be the favorite for lieutenant-governor. He is a member of the State Committee, and appears to have the most solid backing.

The New York members thought of all booms, Mr. Brookfield, Chairman of the State Committee, who is responsible for the Choate boom, was non-committal. He said he was for any man nominated by the Committee.

The Brooklyn men would like to have Benjamin F. Tracy nominated. But George W. Aldridge, of Rochester, is a member of the State Committee, and will not be controlled by the machine, and he is out of the question.

John Sabine Smith thought Cornelius N. Bliss would make a grand candidate. If Judge Russell is not nominated, John S. Kenyon, of Syracuse—I am for Francis Johnson, of Albany.

William Barnes, Jr., of Albany—Patron in my choice if Morton is not nominated. Jacob M. Patterson—I haven't any choice.

George W. Dunn, of Binghamton—I am for George E. Green, of Binghamton.

H. H. Odell, of Newburgh, and John A. Quackenbush, of Stillwater—For Morton.

TO MEET THE POPLISTS.

Conference with the Labor Repre- sentatives To-Night.

A conference will be held to-night between the Populists and representatives of the Central Labor Union on the subject of political union proposed by the Populists. The conference, on behalf of the Populists, will be held at the headquarters of the Populist Party, 50 East Tenth street.

Both the Populists and Socialists represent radical extremes, and of the two, the latter are more extreme. The Populists are now being used by the Socialists for a number of such purposes, and the latter are now being used by the Populists for a number of such purposes.

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NO HIGHER PAY FOR JUDGES.

Amendment Adopted Forbidding Increase or Decrease of Salaries.

Retired Judges to Be Used to Hold Extraordinary Courts.

Confidence of the People Shaken by Corruption.

(By Associated Press.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 23.—The Constitutional Convention opened this morning there was a rush of excuses for absence from Saturday's session, and President Choate, from the floor, said: "I hope the flaccid of last Saturday is not to be repeated this week. It seems to me that we should attend to our work."

Notwithstanding Mr. Choate's appeal, a large number of excuses were made for the Saturday afternoon session.

As soon as the Judiciary article was taken up, Mr. Velder moved to reconsider the vote by which the Convention last night refused to extend the age limit beyond seventy years. Mr. Root protested, and the motion was defeated.

Mr. Dickey offered an amendment providing that the Governor may utilize the retired Judges of the Supreme Court at any time or to relieve the present Court. Adopted.

Mr. H. A. Clarke offered an amendment to forbid the increasing of salaries of Judges as well as forbid diminishing them. Mr. Roche said that the Judiciary article was not a Judiciary article, but a salary article, and that the Convention should not consider it.

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EVILS OF BRIBERY.

Moorfield Storey's Strong Speech to the Bar Association.

Confidence of the People Shaken by Corruption.

Great Corporations Make or Defeat Laws with Money.

(By Associated Press.)

SARATOGA, Aug. 23.—When the Bar Association resumed its session today, Moorfield Storey, of Boston, read an address on the "American Legislature." In opening he spoke of the abiding faith which Americans are brought up to place in their institutions and good sense of the people, and their philosophic indifference to political evils.

Yet, he said, during last twenty years there has been a change in the attitude of the people towards the fundamental principles of their government. He alluded briefly to the contempt for law evinced in the conduct of labor strikes and to the conduct of the last twenty years for the control of State legislatures. Continuing, he said, in part: "From the most august legislative body in the country, the Senate of the United States, down to the lowest body of the State, the citizen too often distrusts, fears and abuses his representatives."

The business community throughout the country welcomes the adjustment of Congress as the end of a season filled with privilege and greed. It has not only been a season of privilege and greed, but it has been a season of corruption. It has been a season of corruption, and it has been a season of corruption.

Mr. Root said the Committee had the whole of the Judiciary article, and he was in favor of the amendment. He was in favor of the amendment, and he was in favor of the amendment.

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